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Status						
1)[🛛	Responsive to communication(s) filed on 02.	January 2004.				
·	This action is FINAL . 2b)⊠ This action is non-final.					
3)□	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is					
	closed in accordance with the practice under	Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 4	\$53 O.G. 213.			
Disposit	ion of Claims	•				
4)🖂	Claim(s) 1-21 is/are pending in the application	n.				
	4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.					
5)⊠	Claim(s) <u>1-9,12-14 and 19-21</u> is/are allowed.					
6)⊠)⊠ Claim(s) <u>10,11 and 15-18</u> is/are rejected.					
7)	Claim(s) is/are objected to.					
8)[Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/o	or election requirement.				
Applicat	ion Papers					
9)[The specification is objected to by the Examin-	er.				
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.
- 2. Claims 10-11 and 15-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kopp et al.(6,404,789)

The applied reference has a common assignee with the instant application.

Based upon the earlier effective U.S. filling date of the reference, it constitutes prior art under 35 U.S.C. 102(e). This rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) might be overcome either by a showing under 37 CFR 1.132 that any invention disclosed but not claimed in the reference was derived from the inventor of this application and is thus not the invention "by another," or by an appropriate showing under 37 CFR 1.131.

Claim 10, figure 1A discloses a feedback structure(10) of a thickness T and of an average refractive index N having a top surface(14) and a bottom surface(16) configured to produce a photonic mode of a predetermined frequency(col. 6, lines 28-32) separated from a nearest lower frequency photonic mode given by the recited expression(fig. 2A), and a source(22) for emitting electromagnetic radiation at the

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predetermined frequency within a cone that is generally perpendicular to the feedback structure through the feedback structure where the feedback structure only transmits electromagnetic radiation of the predetermined frequency(fig. 2A) and having a wave vector substantially normal thereto, such that the electromagnetic radiation is passively spatially filtered as it passes through the feedback structure(fig. 2B).

Claims 11, 16 and 18, figure 2A discloses photonic modes that are a defect mode and high frequency band edge modes.

Claim 15, a refractive index variation is disclosed between top and bottom surfaces(col. 6, lines 22-24), and exciting the light-emitting medium to produce the optical gain of a predetermined gain magnitude in the feedback structure sufficient to at least meet the lasing threshold such that coherent wide-area laser emission occurs at the predetermined frequency perpendicular to at least one of the top and bottom surfaces, wherein the wide-area laser emission remains coherent when the predetermined gain magnitude is selectively increased above the lasing threshold(col. 5, lines 11-15; and fig. 2A).

Claim 17, figure 3B discloses electromagnetic radiation that is spatially filtered as it passes through the feedback structure.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-9, 12-14 and 19-21 are allowed.

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4. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter. The following limitations are primarily responsible for distinguishing these claims over the prior art.

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Regarding claims 1-9 and 21, the limitations concerning a variable excitation means connected to the feedback structure for exciting the light-emitting medium to produce optical gain of a predetermined gain magnitude in the feedback structure sufficient to at least meet the lasing threshold to cause coherent wide-area laser emission to occur at the predetermined frequency perpendicular to at least one of the top and bottom surfaces so that the wide-area laser emission remains coherent when the predetermined gain magnitude is selectively increased above the lasing threshold as recited in claim 1; and regarding claims 12-14 and 19-20, the limitations concerning a variable excitation means connected to the feedback structure for applying gain of a selected magnitude to the feedback structure to thereby externally control a coherence area of the emerging beam, wherein the gain a) ranges from a lower gain to a higher gain, b) is below a lasing threshold, and c) is sufficient to provide amplification for the emitted electromagnetic radiation at the predetermined frequency such that when the gain is changed between the lower gain and the higher gain, the electromagnetic radiation emitted from the second surface is amplified and changed in coherence area corresponding to the change in the gain as recited in claims 12 and 19.

Correspondence

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

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examiner should be directed to Examiner Jim Vannucci whose phone number is (571) 272-1820.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center whose telephone number is (703) 308-0956.

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